city Boards and Thermal Power Plants are given below:—

S. No.	Name of State Electricity Board/Power Plant	Amount due as on 31-12-94 (Rs. in crores)	Since when outstanding date of oldest items
1.	Andhra Pradesh State Electricity Board	1.70	6/90
2.	Assam State Electricity Board	3.40	1994-95
3.	Bihar State Electricity Board	13.61	12/93
4.	Delhi Electricity supply undertaking	91.78	1993-94
5.	Gujarat State Electricity Board	39.99	1982-83
6.	Haryana State Electricity Board	85.70	1989-90
7.	Karnataka State Electricity Board	1.59	1994-95
8.	Maharashtra State Electricity Board	28.87	1991-92
9.	M.P. State Electricity Board	2.87	1994-95
10.	Punjab State Electricity Board	17 25	1989-90
11.	Rajasthan State Electricity Board	28.14	1994-95
12.	Tamil Nadu State Electricity Board	6.28	1992-93
13.	U.P. State Electricity Board	72.72	1989-90
14.	W.B. State Electricity Board	23.14	1986-87
15.	N.T.P.C.	621.69	1986-87
16.	Private Sabarmati	1.78	1994-95
	TOTAL :	1040.51	

The main reasons of the dues being outstanding are the financial difficulties of the Boards, disputes about demurrage charges, diversion of wagons etc.

(c) State Electricity Boards and other Power Houses are being repeatedly requested to clear the dues. Ministry of Finance has decided to recover an amount of Rs. 308.05 crores from Central Plan Assistance (except DESU & NTPC). Also compulsory prepayment of freight has been enforced on the Power Houses of Gujarat and Haryana State Electricity Boards.

Further, to discourage State Electricity Boards from booking coal consignment on 'To Pay' basis, surcharges has been further enhanced from 10 per cent to 15 per cent w.e.f. 15.01.95.

Besides adjustment against traction bills of UPSEB and DESU is also being done to minimise this outstanding dues.

Non placement of orders for wagons

4653. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a sudden surge of demand for wagons during January-March 1995 and that the Railways were ill-prepared to cope up with such demand;

(c) what was the quantum of wagons for which orders were placed by the Railways during 1994-95;

(d) whether it is a fact that despite a surge in demand for wagon no orders have yet been placed by the Railways for the year 1995-96, throwing the wagon industry on the verge of closure from April 1, 1995; and

(d) whether Government are aware that apart from throwing the Railways freight movement plans out of gear, this would adversely affect livelihood of more than 1,50,000 wokrmen and their families, connected with wagon building industry and its ancilliaries?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) The peaking of traffic during January—March leads to time leg between demand and supply of wagons.

(b) Orders were placed for 12000 wagons in terms of four wheeler units.

(c) and (d) Acquisition of wagons is need based. Accordingly 12000 wagons in terms of four wheelers have been provided for in the 95-96 Budget Of these, 1200 four wheelers are for Railway Workshops and balance 10,800 wagons (4-wheeler units) will be ordered shortly on wagon industry. In addition, sizeable quantity of wagons are likely to get added under Own Your Wagon Scheme.

Allotment of bookstalls to unemployed graduates

4657. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government under their letter Nos. 75/TG. III/461/19 of 15th November, 1975 and 82/TG. III/461/5 of 6th February, 1985 had decided that bookstalls on new passenger platforms, which were constructed/added on or after 1st January, 1976 would be awarded to unemployed graduates;

(b) if so, what are the details of such bookstalls allotted with the names of stations zone-wise;

(c) whether Government vide their letter No. 88/TG. III/461/4/CA III of 4th May, 1989, had imposed some restrictions for allotment of bookstalls to unemployed graduates on those new passenger platforms constructed or added on or after 1st January, 1976; and

(d) if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI C. K. JAFFER SHARIEF): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Touts in railway reservation office at Ernakulam

4658. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) how many unauthorised agents, anti social elements and blackmarketeers in the rail reservations were arrested by Railway Protection Force, Railway Vigilance during the last three years at Ernakulam Railway Junction year-wise details thereof;

(b) how many arrests and raids did take place with details thereof including the date, number of personnel arrested, number of bogus reservation tickets seized, the amount of money used to purchase these tickets seized and other relevant details;

(c) whether it is a fact that these agents are being assisted by the counter reservation employees and other railway personnel;